GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:82
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PROVISION OF BLACK BOXES IN SMALL AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Black Boxes are not provided in small aircraft of the Government in which VIPs perform their journey;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide `black boxes` in these aircraft in view of the fact that the causes of air crashes are not known due to non-availability of black boxes;

(d) if so, the time by which this facility is likely to be provided in these aircraft; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) & (b):- As per the international standards specified by ICAO in Annex 6aeroplanes whose all up weight is less than 5700 Kg are not required to be installed with Cockpit Voice Recorder(CVR) and Flight Data recorder(FDR).

(c) to (e):- At present there is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.